

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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MDL NO. 1358 (SAS)

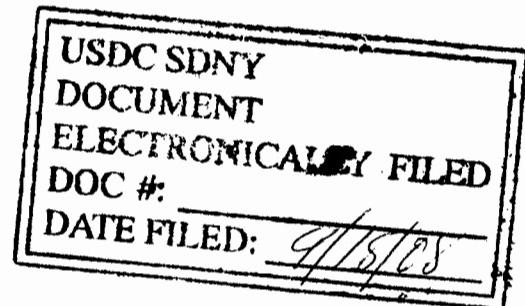
**In Re: Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether  
("MTBE") Products Liability Litigation**

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**This Document Relates To:**

*State of New Mexico vs. Amerada Hess Corp., et al.*  
Civil Action No.: 04-CV-1726

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**ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES**

The Court finds that an attorneys fee percentage of 33 $\frac{1}{3}$  is reasonable in light of the experience, reputation, and ability of the Firms representing the State of New Mexico, the time and labor required, the novelty and difficulty of the questions involved, the skill required to pursue the litigation properly, the uncertainty and financial risks assumed by the law Firms, and the result

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obtained for the State.

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The Court also finds that the expenses allocated to the State are necessary and reasonable to be reasonable and should be paid to the law Firms.

The Court also finds that the State of New Mexico Attorney General's Office has informed the Court that it has reviewed and does not oppose the petition.

It is therefore ORDERED that an attorneys fee percentage of 33 $\frac{1}{3}$  of the cash recovery of \$3,767,734.66 be awarded to Baron & Budd, P.C., Weitz & Luxenberg, P.C., and Sher Leff LLP.

It is further ORDERED that the final allocation costs and expenses (approximately \$58,000.00) be paid to Baron & Budd, P.C., Weitz & Luxenberg, P.C., and Sher Leff LLP.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 18, 2008

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shira A. Scheindlin".

The Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin